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2010 WYOMING MILK PRODUCTION VALUED AT \$19.7 MILLION

WYOMING: Milk production in **Wyoming** during 2010 totaled 120.4 million pounds, up 15 percent from the 104.7 million pounds produced in 2009, according to Sofiya Cherni with the Wyoming Field Office of USDA NASS. The average number of milk cows in the State during 2010 was 6,000 head, up from 5,500 in 2009. Milk production per cow averaged 20,067 pounds, up 5 percent from 19,036 pounds the previous year. These totals exclude milk sucked by calves.

The average fat content in 2010 milk was 3.40 percent, down from 3.55 percent in 2009. Producers received \$19.5 million for their milk sold in 2010, averaging \$16.40 per 100 pounds. In 2009, producers received \$14.2 million with an average of \$13.80 per 100 pounds. An estimated 1.5 million pounds of milk were used on farms where produced, with 87 percent fed to calves. The remaining farm use was for milk, cream, and butter. The total value of all milk produced was \$19.7 million.

UNITED STATES: **Milk production** increased 1.8 percent in 2010 to 193 billion pounds. The rate per cow, at 21,149 pounds, was 576 pounds above 2009. The annual average number of milk cows on farms was 9.12 million head, down 86,000 head from 2009.

Cash receipts from marketings of milk during 2010 totaled \$31.4 billion, 28.9 percent higher than 2009. Producer returns averaged \$16.35 per hundredweight, 26.5 percent above 2009. Marketings totaled 191.8 billion pounds, 1.9 percent above 2009. Marketings include whole milk sold to plants and dealers and milk sold directly to consumers.

An estimated 991 million pounds of milk were used on farms where produced, 2.0 percent less than 2009. Calves were fed 89 percent of this milk, with the remainder consumed in producer households.